

Clearly, no one is insulated from the flames of hatred. Even in my home State of New Jersey, a church was recently burned. I am proud to say that a leader in the African-American community in New Jersey is working very hard to combat the burning and desecration of places of worship. Minister and New Jersey Assemblyman Alfred E. Steele, a constituent of mine from Paterson, NJ, has introduced a bill on the State level to stiffen penalties for arson at churches, synagogues, and mosques.

Mr. Speaker, although these crimes have been primarily directed against African-American congregations, I must hasten to point out that they are an assault on those who believe in the freedom and tolerance of the United States. As Assemblyman Steele has said, "If they attack one, they have attacked all of us." With the Church Arson Prevention Act, we can now fight back. We have clearly and decisively acted to end this most vicious and destructive form of intimidation.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 1997

SPEECH OF

HON. PETER DEUTSCH

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 19, 1996

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 3662) making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, and for other purposes:

Mr. DEUTSCH. Mr. Chairman, I would like to underscore the comments of my colleagues who join with me in supporting the Florida delegation's Everglades amendment to H.R. 3662—the fiscal year 1997 Interior appropriations bill. Congress has long recognized that Everglades restoration is a basic quality of life issue. The State of Florida has taken the lead on this by funding the lion's share of restoration. It is crucial that Congress recognize the Federal commitment by funding authorized land acquisition priorities in this Interior bill. Although the committee report claims to make the Everglades a top national priority, this promise can only be fulfilled by fully funding the land priorities in this bill.

This Congress is deeply interested in the link between the economy and the environment. There is no better example than in south Florida where our multibillion dollar economy depends solely on reversing the environmental mistakes of the past.

I appreciate Chairman Regula's willingness to work with us on this issue. I led the delegation in organizing our unified position, and I know the chairman is aware that a majority of us are on record supporting our efforts today. I look forward to resolving this issue to everyone's satisfaction, and I thank the chairman.

TRIBUTE TO LT. COL. ANTHONY F. QUAN

HON. ROBERT A. UNDERWOOD

OF GUAM

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 20, 1996

Mr. UNDERWOOD. Mr. Speaker, I would like to commend Lt. Col. Anthony F. Quan of the U.S. Army for his outstanding contributions to the island of Guam through his outstanding military service. I also offer my sincerest congratulations on his recent graduation from the U.S. Army War College.

I have personally known Tony Quan for many years. He was born in Agana on September 19, 1950, to Frank D. and Maria C. Quan. His wife, the former Flora Baza, is a lady well known on the island as the "Queen of Chamorro" music and as the first Guam beauty queen to bring home an international title. Tony and Flora are the proud parents of four children, Anthony, Jr. (T.J.), Edwin, Jomia, and Jessica.

Although Tony's distinguished military record and training seem to stand out among his numerous accomplishments, several aspects of his notable career are also worth mentioning. He received his commission from the U.S. Army soon after graduating with a degree in civil engineering from Marquette University. He has also been awarded two masters degrees, an MS in civil engineering from Marquette in 1974 and an MA in public administration from Shippenburg University in 1996. In addition to his service with the U.S. Army and the Guam National Guard, Tony also worked in various capacities for the Government of Guam and the private sector.

On Guam, the personal accomplishments and success of native sons and daughters are always celebrated and adopted as triumphs for everyone in the community. As a graduate of the U.S. Army War College, Lieutenant Colonel Quan has attained the highest level of educational training offered by the U.S. Army. He has brought great recognition not only to himself but also to the island of Guam and its people. On behalf of the people of Guam, I congratulate Lt. Col. Anthony F. Quan for his outstanding achievements. We commend his efforts, hard work, and contributions to the island.

SECURITY AMENDMENTS OF 1996

SPEECH OF

HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 18, 1996

Mr. ENGEL. Mr. Speaker, on May 9, 1996, 19 of my colleagues wrote to the SEC regarding the agency's approval of a preferencing program on the Cincinnati Stock Exchange [CSE]. I share the concerns expressed in that letter. Among other things, the letter expressed concern that the Commission did not adequately examine how preferencing affects the quality of trade prices received by small retail investors.

Preferencing enables a broker to direct its customer orders to buy or sell stock to itself, acting as dealer. On the CSE, in those stocks where preferencing dealers trade exclusively,

95 percent of the transactions are executed by dealers simply matching or pairing their own orders with those of their customers. The overwhelming majority of trades executed on the CSE are for small retail orders. Indeed, 70 percent of CSE trades are for 500 shares or less, and 97 percent are for less than 2,000 shares. Very few institutional traders have their trades preferenced on the CSE.

The SEC order granting approval to the CSE preferencing program left many important questions unanswered. Among these questions is why only small retail orders are executed under the CSE's preferencing rules, and whether these orders are receiving the same opportunity for price improvement as they would on the primary market.

Mr. Speaker, today we take up H.R. 3005, the Securities Amendments of 1996. This legislation does not address the issue of preferencing but I understand that similar legislation in the other body may contain a provision directing the SEC to undertake a detailed study of preferencing on exchange markets. Such a study would provide more information about how preferencing affects small retail investors. Unless such a study concludes that there are tangible benefits to investors, including small investors, and to the capital formation process from this practice, I would support efforts to move swiftly to ban preferencing on exchanges.

KEN HAAG, FRIEND AND
TALENTED ARTIST

HON. BRUCE F. VENTO

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 20, 1996

Mr. VENTO. Mr. Speaker, a friend and talented artist, Ken Haag, passed away May 16, suddenly and unexpectedly, at his Eastside Saint Paul home. Ken's loss will be heartfelt by the entire community and neighborhood. Ken Haag poured his great energy and talent back into the State of Minnesota, our Eastside neighborhood, and his wonderful family.

Ken was a constant and joyful volunteer. He lent real meaning to the role of citizenship, working as an artist but deeply involved in music, education, environment, and housing activities. He was a modern day renaissance man.

Ken took special pride in his high school experience. His artistic talent was recognized by establishing a scholarship program at Saint Paul's Johnson High School.

Ken Haag's distinctive art works depicting wildlife and Minnesota settings benefited many publications. Especially notable were the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources Volunteer covers.

Ken's cultural roots were Scandinavian, and for over three decades he was a loyal member of Saint Paul's Swedish Male Chorus. Ken was a real pioneer—a quiet, no-nonsense activist who was often at the cutting edge of issues.

Ken attained good success and continued to live and thrive, and give back to our community much more than he ever received. Ken will be missed. Thanks, Ken.

I encourage my colleagues to read the following article about Ken Haag, which appeared in the Saint Paul Pioneer Press on May 18.